# AQMD

#### South Coast Air Quality Management District's

### **Notice of Public Workshop**

#### PROPOSED RULE 1143 CONSUMER PAINT THINNERS & MULTI-PURPOSE SOLVENTS



Wednesday, November 5, 2008 9:00 a.m.

AQMD Headquarters 21865 Copley Drive Diamond Bar, CA 91765 Auditorium

#### **Purpose of the Meeting**

The South Coast Air Quality Management District (AQMD) has scheduled a public workshop to solicit comments and suggestions from the public on **Proposed Rule (PR) 1143** – **Consumer Paint Thinners and Multi-purpose Solvents**.

PR 1143 will be considered for adoption by the AQMD Governing Board at a public hearing tentatively scheduled for *January 9, 2009*. This public workshop will allow for comments and discussion of PR 1143 with all public members including potentially impacted stakeholders and other interested parties.

#### **Air Quality Objective**

The air quality objective of PR 1143 is to reduce Volatile Organic Compound (VOC) emissions from the use of consumer paint thinners and multi-purpose solvents. The proposed rule will implement control measure CTS 04 of the 2007 Air Quality Management Plan (AQMP) to obtain potential VOC emission reductions necessary for the AQMD to attain state and federal ozone air quality standards for this region.

#### **Summary of Proposed Rule**

This rule would apply to consumer paint thinners and multi-purpose solvents that are normally sold through retail outlets and any person that uses, distributes or sells a consumer paint thinner or multi-purpose solvent in the South Coast AQMD jurisdiction. The proposed rule will include the following:

- Establish VOC limits based on grams per liter of material for consumer paint thinners and multi-purpose solvents.
- Require manufacturers and their distributors, that supply with intent to sell in the District, to file an application with the AQMD and provide annual quantity and emission reports. This rule would also require manufacturers to provide a list of their distributors for all their products.
- Require manufacturers and their distributors, that supply with intent to sell in the District, to maintain records including their annual consumer paint thinner and multi-purpose solvent sales.
- Establish exemptions for consumer paint thinners and multi-purpose solvents that are used in certain specialty coating applications.

#### California Environmental Quality Act

Pursuant to the California Environmental Quality Act (CEQA) and AQMD Rule 110, AQMD staff has reviewed the proposed project and determined that an Environmental Assessment (EA) will be prepared with no significant impacts. When completed, a Draft EA will be released for a 30-day public review and comment period and comments received during this review period will be responded to and included in the Final EA. Upon its release, copies of the Draft EA for Proposed Rule 1143 will be available for downloading from the AQMD's Website at <a href="http://www.aqmd.gov/ceqa/aqmd.html">http://www.aqmd.gov/ceqa/aqmd.html</a> and may also be obtained from the AQMD Public Information Center.

Comments or suggestions regarding the CEQA analysis for Proposed Rule 1143 should be directed to:

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#### **Submission of Documents or Comments**

The public is requested to send documents, studies, data, reports, comments and any other information relevant to PR 1143 by **November 14, 2008** to:

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## **Supporting Documents and Other Relevant Information**

The following supporting documents will be available on the AQMD website at <a href="http://www.aqmd.gov/rules/proposed.html">http://www.aqmd.gov/rules/proposed.html</a> prior to the workshop:

- Preliminary Draft PAR 1143
- Preliminary Draft Staff Report for PAR 1143

Copies of the above documents may also be obtained from:

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